

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT** 

In re Patent Application of

Shoji OBUCHI et al.

Application No.: 10/506,439

Filing Date:

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Title: LACTIC ACID-BASED RESIN COMPOSITION

Group Art Unit: 1713

Examiner: ROBERT D HARLAN

Confirmation No.: 8352

## AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

**Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Encl	losed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.					
	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.					
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\infty\$\$ \$65.00 (2814) \$\infty\$\$ \$130.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.					
	Also enclosed is/are					
	Small entity status is hereby claimed.					
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$\infty\$ \$395.00 (2801) \$\infty\$ \$790.00 (1801) \$ fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).					
	Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.					
	Applicant(s) previously submitted					
	on, for which continued examination is requested.					
	Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.					
	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.					

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X	No additional claim fee is required.
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	An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below

AMENDED CLAIMS									
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Rate		Additional Fee			
Total Claims	6	MINUS	20	=	0	×	\$50.00	(1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	2	MINUS	3	=	0	×	\$200.00	(1201) =	\$ 0.00
If Amendment adds n	nultiple depen	dent claim	s, ad	d \$	360.00 (1203)				
Total Claim Amendment Fee				\$ 0.00					
Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee			\$ 0.00						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT			\$ 0.00						

Ш	A check in the amount of	of is enclosed for the fee due
	Charge	to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.
	Charge	to credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 24, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: